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Practitioner of diseases of WOMEN and CHILDREN, and attention to Female patients.  
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CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
Practice in the Courts of this District and in Richmond county. Also, in the Federal Courts of the Western District.  
Aug. 12, 1887.

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Will practice in the State and Federal Courts of all business entrusted to them in Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Union, Lincoln and Gaston counties.  
Sept. 28, 1887.

**G. F. BASON,**  
Attorney at Law,  
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Will practice in the State and Federal Courts. Office No. 16, Law Building.  
Jan. 14, 1887. y

**DR. M. A. BLAND,**  
Dentist,  
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Office in Brown's building, opposite Charlotte Hotel.  
Gas used for the painless extraction of teeth.  
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Will attend all calls, either night or day, in the surrounding country.  
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Practice Limited to the  
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Office over A. R. Nisbet & Bro's store. Office hours from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
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**JOHN FARRIOR,**  
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Keeps a full stock of handsome Jewelry Clocks, Spectacles, &c., which he will sell at a fair price.  
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Special attention given to fine Watch repairing.  
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**FINE SHOES.**  
Complete Stock and Lowest Prices  
Shoes, Trunks and Valises.  
PEGRAM & CO.  
June 24, 1887.  
16 South Tryon street.

**No CURE FOR "DIVERS."**—Gov. Taylor of Tennessee, recently told of a colored clergyman who preached a sermon on the text: "And the multitude came to him and he healed them of divers diseases." Said he: "My dying congregation, this is a terrible text. Disease is in the world. The small pox slays its hundreds, the cholera its thousands, and the yellow fever its tens of thousands, but in the language of the text, if you take the divers, you are gone. These earthly doctors can cure smallpox, cholera and yellow fever if they get there in time, but nobody but the good Lord can cure the divers."

**Mortgage Sale.**  
By virtue of a mortgage made to me by J. K. Alexander by deed dated February 17th, 1881, and duly registered in Book 28, page 404, against the County of Mecklenburg, I will sell at the Court House door, in the city of Charlotte, to the highest bidder, for cash, on Monday, January 2nd, 1888, at 12 o'clock M., all the LAND contained in said mortgage deed, adjoining the lands of N. O. Alexander and others, containing 38 1/2 acres, more or less.

**Mortgage Sale.**  
By virtue of two Mortgages executed to Liddell & Company by A. W. Reid, and registered in the Register's office of Mecklenburg county, in Book 46, page 412, and Book 54, page 155, respectively, we will sell at the Court House door in the city of Charlotte, on Saturday, 14th January, 1888, the LOT described in said Mortgages, situate in the town of Matthews, N. C. Terms Cash.

**SALE OF LAND.**  
By virtue of authority granted to me by Ira Alexander by a Mortgage dated Dec. 13, 1884, and duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds in Book 40, page 107, I will sell at the Court House in Charlotte, for cash, on Monday, January 9th, 1888, the LAND described in said Mortgage, to-wit: a Tract of about 60 Acres, on Big Sugar Creek, joining the land of F. Hovis, Jno. F. Wilson and others, and known as the Ray place.

**Commissioner's Sale.**  
By virtue of a Decree of the Superior Court in the case of T. J. Dullin and others against James Purr and others, I will sell at the Court House door, in the city of Charlotte, N. C., on Monday, January 23d, 1888, at 12 o'clock M., the highest bidder, for cash, one half of the LAND conveyed by A. M. Hall to Wm. Ballard by Deed dated Jan. 4th, 1876, and registered in Book 13, page 278, containing 91 1/2 Acres, less 31 Acres allotted to S. R. Ballard per dower, being 60 1/2 Acres. Said Land is sold for partition. The bidding will be commenced at \$23 3/4 per Acre for Land. E. H. Hecerson having offered that amount. Terms Cash.

**Mrs. Query's Millinery Store.**  
FOR  
Fall and Winter.  
Ladies will find what they want in our stock. We do not offer to sell \$1 Hats for 75 or 80 cents, but will sell Hats and Bonnets and all the new Novelties for Trimming, or Hats or Bonnets ready Trimmed, as Cheap for Cash as any store in this or any other city.

**Job Printing and Book Binding.**  
We have secured the services of an experienced and first-class Book Binder, and will for the next 30 days make a specialty of rebounding old Books, Magazines, Papers, Periodicals, etc., in the latest and most approved styles. Now is the time to have all such work done Cheap.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
And all the leading PATENT MEDICINES for sale by  
R. H. JORDAN & CO.  
March 26, 1886.

**PURE, HARD AND BRILLIANT**  
Brazilian Axis Cut Pebbles.  
For sale by Hales & Boyne, Charlotte.

**Salary of Commissioners.**  
State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.  
I, J. W. Cobb, Clerk Board of Commissioners of said county, do hereby certify that the following amounts were paid by said Board to the members thereof severally, for services from the first Monday in December, 1886, to the first Monday in November, 1887,—both inclusive:

**BUY THE BEST.**  
We now have on hand a large stock of the celebrated "Elkin" Blankets, Jeans, Yarns and Socks.  
Remember we are Agents for these Goods, and they are the best and cheapest sold on this market.

**THE STAR MILLS,**  
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Manufactures best Corn Meal and Mill Feed, and deals in all kinds of Grain and Flour.  
The Mill is situated near the Railroad crossing on East Trade street.

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BARNETT & BETHUNE  
Have received a nice Stock of Fresh Family Groceries, the Goods being of the choicest kinds, which they offer at Retail at lowest market rates.  
Call and examine our nice assortment of Eatables.  
BARNETT & BETHUNE.  
Sept. 30, 1887.

**Rubber and Leather Belting.**  
We have a large stock and complete assortment of all kinds of Rubber Belting on hand. We warrant every foot we sell and guarantee our prices against any House south of Baltimore.  
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**How a Blind Man Sees.**  
Many instances have been related showing that deafness in any one or more of the human senses often results in developing the corresponding inner sense. This has been more frequently observed in persons afflicted with loss of sight and hearing. One of the most remarkable on record is Mr. Henry Hendrickson, born in Norway forty-three years ago, but who has lived in this country forty years, was deprived of sight when six months old. He was educated at the institution for the blind in Jacksonville, Wis., and is the author of a book entitled "Out of the Darkness," somewhat in explanation of the mediumship with which he is becoming endowed, although unable to account for it in any manner satisfactory to himself or comfortable to the known laws of physical science.

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**Partridges and Quails.**  
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**At Eastern Kentucky Junction,**  
a town on the Mississippi Valley Railroad, Thomas Powell and his daughter kept a store. Tuesday night thieves strangled the daughter to death, bound and gagged her father, then robbed the store of several hundred dollars in money and goods.

**A Fragment.**  
From the Newbern Journal.  
How little we know of each other at best. As the journey through life is oft taken together, And the mind of a being so oft with unrest, Is filled with a feeling of "clouds in fair weather." A man who is wise oft times keeps to himself, What is most in his mind, most oft on his tongue, Disappointments, and troubles that have his heart wrung, Though what is the use to lay the heart bare, To the sneer, and the scoff of an unfeeling race. And 'e'en though they don't sneer and scoff, yet they stare In a cold, careless way, or may laugh in your face. It is better by far to keep thus locked within. That which may trouble, or cause a "heart ache"; For the past only tells us that "It might have been," And for us oft times sorrows confessions do make.

**He Sings in the Choir.**  
We are fully aware that there are choirs and choirs. Some are all that choirs should be—modest, reverent, devotional, choirs that sing the gospel as truly, and perhaps more effectively, than the minister preaches it. We have in mind now such a choir, and especially one member of it, whose beautiful tenor voice, re-enforced by a child-like Christian spirit and sweet disposition (for his Christian spirit re-enforced by his voice, which shall we say?), has sung many and many a soul nearer to the kingdom of God. But there are other choirs which ought to be driven out of the seats with a scourge of small cords. The fluting member of the choir, the giggling member, the whispering member, the note-writing member, the nudging member that sees something "too awfully funny" in every congregation and must tell her next neighbor about it, the member that gets up and goes out when the sermon begins, all these and sundry others of the genus singer should be "dealt with." Of course an occasional slip of this kind can be pardoned to youth and indiscretion, but we are talking of that which is habitual in not a few choirs. One is tempted, when looking at them or listening to them, to think of the small boy's unconscious sarcasm, "Is your father a Christian, my little man?" "No sir, he sings in the choir."—The Golden Rule.

**First National Bank of Charlotte,**  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
Paid Up Capital \$300,000.  
Surplus \$100,000.

**WHOLESALE HOUSE**  
OF  
**S. WITKOWSKY,**  
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ARE TO BE CLOSED OUT.  
Dress Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Caps and everything.  
Good Brogans at 85 cents per pair. 200 pairs Women's Goat Shoes—our lowest price \$1.75. Now offered at \$1.25. 50 pairs \$1.25 Shoes at \$1. Pant Goggles, Flannels, Underwear, and everything at prices that will astonish you in their cheapness.

**Administrator's Notice.**  
Having qualified as Administrator cum testamento annexo upon the Estate of Mrs. Amanda H. Reid, deceased, I hereby notify all persons indebted to said Estate to make payment to the undersigned at once; and all persons holding claims against the same will present them within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

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